

GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES



Email below sent to Friendship Community via email on Oct 23, 2015

Good Evening Friendship “Turtle Park” Community,

The purpose of this email is to provide the community with an update on the Friendship “Turtle” Park modernization project.

As you may know, the Friendship “Turtle Park” Recreation center has been closed to prepare the site for demolition for the new Friendship Community Center. The playground and field has remained open during this timeframe (the field will remain open during construction, however, the playground will be off-line once construction commences).

Some of the project activities during the summer included:

- Working with all of the local utility companies to turn off and cap the utilities to the site,
- Working with the Commission of Fine Arts (CFA) to fine tune the design of the building and
- Getting the necessary permits to move the project to the next phase.

We anticipate receiving the demolition permit by Mid-Late November 2015, which will allow us to begin demolition of the existing building. The community will be notified prior to the beginning of demolition and closure of the playground.

We will also have a community meeting in early December 2015 to discuss the playground design with residents.

On behalf of the Friendship Project team I will be providing monthly email updates on the project during the demolition and construction phases of the project.

You have received this email because you have expressed interest in the Friendship “Turtle Park” project in the past. If you prefer not to receive the monthly email updates please let me know and I will remove you from my BCC Friendship “Turtle Park” global email group.

Feel free to share this project update with your neighbors, family and friends who may be interested in the Friendship project.

Sincerely,

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